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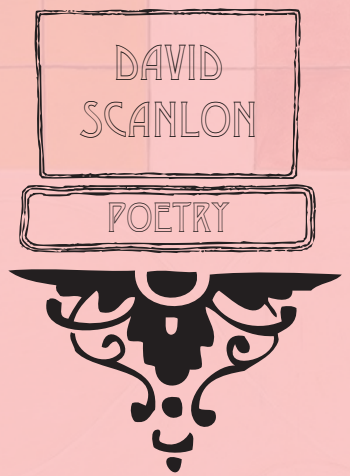

“I do not hope for anything, I no longer fear anything, I was remade by the mind and by heart, I have ascended higher, I am free. I wanted nothing more. I sought only freedom.”

Nikos Kazantzakis (1923) Ασκητική (Salvatores dei) Αναγέννηση; Athens. (Translation David Scanlon (2023))

“Gaea, Mother Gaea, now at last,
Wearied with too much seeking, here I cast
My soul, my heart, my body down on thee!
Dust of thy dust, canst thou not mother me?

Fill all my soul with kindness as a cup
With cool and bubbling waters! Mother dear,
Gaea, great Gaea, 'tis thy son — O hear!”

John G. Neihardt (1926) From Gaea, Mother Gaea. Collected Poems. The MacMIllan Company; New York

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“You know the times you impress me most
Are the times when you don't try
When you don't even try”

Joni Mitchell (1974) Woman of Heart and Mind on the Album Miles of Aisles. Songwriter: Joni Mitchell © Reservoir Media Management Inc

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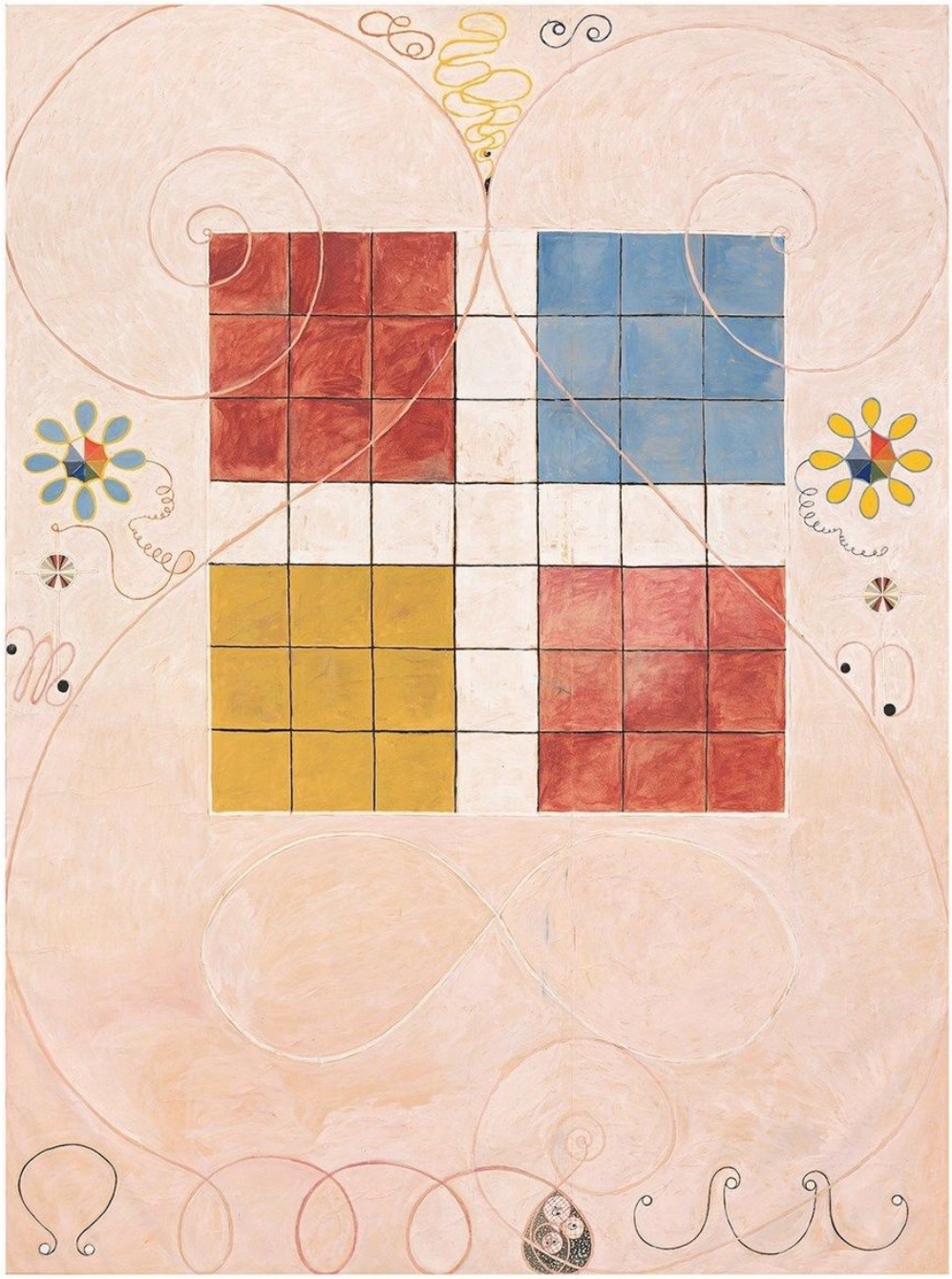

“You are not this wretched fleeting body; behind your flowing mask of clay lurks a thousand-year-old face. Your passions and your Ideas are older than your heart and mind.

Your invisible body is the dead ancestors and the descendants yet unborn. Your visible body is the living men, women and children of your own race.”

Nikos Kazantzakis (1923 [2023]) Asceticism - Gods Salvation-in-action. Translation David Scanlon. The Foolish Poet Press; Wilmslow.

I DO NOT EVEN TRY

I am a man of heart and mind,
Failing, floundering in the abyss:
In measured moments of time
There is only the mind,
Mystifying in clarifying!
Nothing but our things!

I am not a thing nor a number!
Raising, ascending in the light,
In eternities moments of rhyme
There is only the heart
Clarifying in mystifying!
Nothing but our presence!

I am man born of a woman,
Returning, descending home:
In eternities moments of time
I have a heart and mind,
Mystifying and clarifying!
So, now, I do not even try!